Kxecutive Aroclamation State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Florence Atkinson spent twenty-seven years in service to the handicapped children of South Dakota, first as a community health field nurse, then nurse consultant, and finally as supervisor of the Crippled Children's Program; and,

WHEREAS, South Dakota performed a fine service to handicapped children and their families when Florence Atkinson was put on the payroll in June of 1951; and,

WHEREAS, Florence became a major force in the lives of the children and their families by helping the families understand and cope with each child's handicapping condition; and,

WHEREAS, Florence made home visits to the families, providing the much-needed support of someone who cared, listened and understood handicapping conditions; and,

children and their families by steering WHEREAS, Florence further aided them toward the resources and services available to assist in meeting the needs of both the children and their families; and,

WHEREAS, Florence always held the child uppermost in her mind and dedicated a great deal of time and effort to arranging for the Crippled Children's Clinics across the length and breadth of South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, on behalf of a State grateful for the contributions and dedication of a fine public servant, do hereby recognize and commend

FLORENCE ATKINSON

for her untiring efforts on behalf of the handicapped children of South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eleventh Day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Five

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR